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No.SDB1955/10304/E

Rehabilitation Housing and
Backward Classes Department,
Sachivalaya, Foreshore Road,
Bombay 1, 23rd February 1956.

To

The Director of Education.

Subject :- Sanskar Kendras for Harijans
Revision of items of expenditure of the
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Rerence Government Letter, Development Department (Backward Classes, Rehabilitation and Housing), No. SDB 1055/19663-E, dated 12th May 1955, addressed to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Dehi, on the subject mentioed above.

2. Government has no objection to the revision of items of expenditure on Sanskar Kendras for Harijans as detailed in the statement accompanying your letter No. S-56/238-D(S ,dated 5th March 1955. There is also no objection to the reappropriation of funds from one head to another by the voluntary agencies provided they are of a very minor nature. As regards contingent expenditure. there is a provision of Rs. 630/- in the revised statemant. The expenditure should not exceed that amount except in cases where the expenditure involved is of a minor nature and could be met from out of the savings in other items. The details of the expenditure from contingencies actually incurred by the voluntary agencies during the year 1954-55 should be intimated to this Department for transmission to the Government of India.

(Y.D. Jaeel.)

Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation, Housing and
Backward Classes Department.

Copy with a copy of the Statement accompanying the Director of Education's letter No. S-56/238-D(S), dated 5th March 1955, forwarded to -

the Director of Backward Class Welfare,

the Accountant General, Bombay,

(through the Finance Department),

the Education Department,

the Finance Department,

the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi with reference to letter No. 22/18/54 Pub-II, dated 3rd November 1955,

the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, New Delhi,) With reference to Government Letter, Development Department, Backward Classes, Rehabilitation, and Housing) No. SDB 1055/19663-J, dated 12th May 1955, addressed to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.

the (Regional) Assistant Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Baroda,

for information.

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Statement showing recurring and non-recurring expenditure for a Sanskar Kendra.

Recurring Items:		Non-recurring Items:	
	Rs.		Rs.
1) Honorarium to the Warden (Social Worker) at Rs.25/- p.m. (25 x 12).	300Ø-	1) Equipment for Bhajans(Pakwajas, talas, ektaries etc.)	50/-
2) Recreation programme at Rs.10/- (10 x 12)	120/-	2) Volley-balls, with net and spare bladder, carrom-baards etc.	120/-
3) Teaching of Craft to women such as sewing knitting etc. at Rs.25/- p.m. (25 x 12)	300/-	3) Legims	30/-
4) Supply of medicines for normal aliments such as scabbies, Worms,etc. at Rs. 10/- p.m. (10 x 12).	120/-	4) Sewing machine.	300/-
		5) First aid apparatus.	50/-
5) Lighting charges at Rs.12-8-0 p.m.(12-8-0 x 12)	150/-	6) Drinking pots with a tap and two spare buckets.	25/-
6) Refilling of batteries of radio and purchase of Gramophone needles etc. at Rs.10/- p.m.(10 x 12)	120/-	7) Two Petromaxes.	100/-
		8) Two black boards(wodden.)	30/-
		9) One box to store the equipment.	25/-
7) Contingencies.	630/-	10.) Radio set.	300/-
	1;740/-		1,030/-

N.B.- As regards the honorarium to the Warden (S.Worker),Vol. agencies may be perimtted to raise it from Rs.25/- to Rs.50/- p.m. Provided they can adjust the expenditure within the minimum grant permissible to the Kendra and without approaching Govt. for additional financial assistance.

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With ref. to Shri Majmudar's letter regarding admission of B.C. boys to non. B.C. hostels, please see scheme regarding grants to cosmopolition hostels sanctioned vide G. R. R. H.B.C. D No SDB/055/dt. 2.8.55. In the light the remarks in Col. 6 against the scheme D.BC. w has been asked to recast the scheme and submit a revised scheme to Govt. The revised scheme is awaited the DBCW may be reminded Shri Majmudar's letter may also be sent to the DBCW for remarks. The endst. may issue.

The accompany D.O. letters at pt ps 5-7/c may issue.

JT. Secy. (for info before issue) Id/- 4-10

Sr. No. 50 708 RHBCD E Br.

Shri Majmudar has given talking pts. to be discussed in the proposed conferrence (vide his letter at p.9/c).

The DBCW may be expedited to send the revised scheme. The Director may also be requested to offer remarks on the pts. raised by Shri Majmudar. The draft do. at p. 11/C may issue.

(This should have been submitted much earlier.)

Id/- 2/11/55

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These papers deal with the question of recasting the scheme for encouragement grant to ~~Comx~~ Cosmopolitan Hostels.

2. During the current financial year, the ~~Govt.~~ Govt. of India have sanctioned a grant of Rs. 1, 12,500 for the scheme for encouragement grant to cosmopolitan hostels subject to the following modifications:-

3. The Govt. of India have not approved of the percentage basis proposed under the scheme. They have suggested that the policy should be as under:-

1) If a non-B.C. hostel admits S.C. pupils it should be given full charge of the boarding of such pupils.

2) If a B. C. hostel admits non-B.C. pupils grant per capita should be given according to the financial position.

3) The D.S.Bs. should be ruled out of this scheme as they can manage this scheme from their own resources.

4) Non-official bodies should be encouraged to adopt this scheme particularly the Non- B.C. hostels. as it will help in the eradication of untouchability.

4 The D.B.C.W. was therefore requested to submit a revised scheme as directed by the Govt. of India. This point was discussed in the 69th meeting of the B.C. Board. - Shri Mujumdar has also ~~Rmk~~ raised this point again and his views are available at p. 9/c. The D.B.C.W. has now forwarded a revised scheme- vide his letter dt. 28-11-1955.

5 Before the scheme suggested by the D.B.C.W. is considered the present position is given below in brief.

The cosmopolitan hostels are eligible for grants both from the State Govt. and the Govt. of India. Under State Govt. scheme a cosmopolitan hostel gets grant on account of all the B.C. students admitted by it in

inaccordance with the grants payable under the B.C. Hostel Rules, subject to the conditions specified under G.H. E.D No BCH. 2053, dt. the 10-7-1954 viz. " A cosmopolitan hostel must have a minimum number of 20 inmates in it and the number of B.C. inmates shall be atleast 10 or 20% of the total number of inmates whichever is greater".

Under the Govt. of India scheme, the following concession are available;

i) Cosmopolitan hostels get grant on account of S.C. students. No limit regarding the number of S.C. students is laid down.

ii) B.C. Hostels get grants on account of non-B.C, students. No. limit regarding the number of non B.C. students is laid down.

6. It will be seen that the scheme of the State Govt. has a wider scope than the Govt. of India scheme. The latter scheme to an extent supplement the grants admissible to a cosmopolitan hostel under the State Govt. scheme. The conditions attached to the recognition of a cosmoplitan hostels, for assistance under the scheme have been recently discussed in the link file BCH. 1054/44803 and the decisions reached therein may have to be taken into account while setting the details of the scheme now recast by the D.B.C.W.

7. The B.C. W. has proposed that the Govt. of India scheme may be recast on the following lines:-.

I) Encouragement grant to Non-B.C. Hostels. (for admitting S.C. pupils.)

An encouragement grant of Rs. 7/- p. m. for every S.C. student on and above the grant admissible under the State scheme.

II) Endouragements grant to B.C. Hostels. (having S.Cs.) for admitting Non. -B.C pupils.

A per capita grant of Rs. 16 p.m. for each non-B.C. Student.

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III) Encouragement grant to Non- official bodies particularly the Non- B.C. hostels for admitting S.C. pupils.

Ad hoc grant by way of encouragement, out of the balance amount available from the Govt. of India, grant to unrecognised cosmopolitan hostels.

8. The following remarks are offered on these points.

1) The cosmopolitan hostels get grants in aid at Rs. 14/ p. m. per student under the State Govt. scheme. With the additional grant of Rs. 7/ p.m. the authorities are expected to cover the entire boarding expr. of the S.C. student. The Govt. of India have desired that the Non- B.C. hostels should be given full boarding charges of S.C. student. As the boarding charges are bound to vary, the ad hoc addl. grant of Rs, 7/- p.m. may be more suitable. The D.B.C.W. expects that about 400 S.C. students will be eligible for such grant and the total expenditure out of the Govt. of India grant would be Rs. 33,600/-.

II. After incurring expenditure on I above a balance of Rs. 78 ,900 will be available from the Govt. of India grant, for distribution on II and III. The D.B.C.W. expects that about 400 non-B. C. students would be eligible for such grants in aid. He has therefore proposed that an ad hoc grant of Rs. 16/- p. m. may be sanctioned on account of each non B.C. student admitted in a B.C. hostel,. The total expenditure is estimated at Rs. 76,800/- The proposal may be accepted.

III. Only a small grant of Rs. 2, 100 will be available this year for grants to non-offical bodies as encouragement grant. It is suggested that this amount may be distributed equally among institutions considered deserving for encouragement.

9. The D.B.C.W. has not suggested any specific criteria for recognising a cosmopolitan hostel for purposes of the Govt. of India grant-in-aid. Attention in this connection is invited to A.S. (I)'s note dt. 3.6.55, approved by Govt. in the linked file BGH. 1054/44803 wherein the following criteria are approved for the purpose of Govt. of India grant:-

i) A.B. C. hostel should at least 10 non-B.C. inmates and non-B.C. hostel should have at least 10 - S. C. inmates.

ii) Hard cases where the no. of B.C. or non-B.C. pupils is less than the limit prescribed under (i) above, should be referred to Govt. for consideration on merits.

iii) The criteria should apply to hostels applying for recognition in future. The hostels which have already been recognised as cosmopolitan hostels should be given time upto the end of next academic year to reach the standard laid down by Govt.

~~IV) requests for recognition of cosmopolitan hostels~~ should be dealt with by the D.B. C.W. in the light of ~~the~~ these criteria and hard cases which donot fit in those criteria should be referred to Govt. for orders.

10. It is therefore suggested that be scheme outlined in para 7 above may be approved subject to the criteria ~~mentioned in para 9 above after u. o. r. to the F.D.~~

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IV) requests for recognition of cosmopolitan hostels should be dealt with by the D.B. C.W. in the light of these criteria and hard cases which do not fit in those criteria should be referred to Govt. for orders.

10. It is therefore suggested that the scheme outlined in para 7 above may be approved subject to the criteria mentioned in para 9 above after u.o.r. to the F.D.

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Jt. Secy. may see, Shri Majumdar proposes to raise this question in tomorrow's meeting of the B.C. Board Prima facie, as the scheme involved important issue and as the G. of I. grant is also Substantial the question will have to be considered in greater detail. It may be so cousidered in the officer's Conference on 9th instance, When besides the B.C. Deptt. officers persons like Shri Majmudar, Upadhye and others are likely to be available.

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No objection but obviously there will not be time enough for such highly controversial items.

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These papers deal with the question of revising our present scheme for grant to cosmopolitan hostels. The present position and the point at issue have been brought out in my note at pp. 9-15 post

2. I discussed this question in a meeting of the B.C.W. Os. at Nasik on 9th January 1956 and also with Shri Majmudar and Shri Upadhya of the Gujarat and Maharashtra Harijan Sevak Sanghs. Both the representatives of the voluntary agencies as well as theB. C.W. Os were in general agreement with the suggestions made in para.5 at pp. 11-15 post . They, however, pointed out that it would be necessary to impose a limit for the admission of non- B.C. pupils to B.C. hostels since they apprehended that if grant was paid for non-B.C. pupils even at the ~~rate~~ rate of Rs. 10/- there was a likelihood of the non-backward inmates getting admission at the expense of the B.C. students. We may impose an limit say of 20% beyond which admissions for the non- B.Cs. should not be sanctioned to non-B.C. pupils in B.C. hostels. Shri Majmudar also vehemently contested that we should not insist on the minimum number of S.C. pupils in non-B.C. hostels for the purpose of grant. He was of the view that if we insisted on such minimum number, the non-B.C. hostels, particularly in the Gujarat region, would find it impossible, even if they have the will to do so, to admit S.C. pupils in their hostels in the absence of Government grants.

3. The tentative lines suggested in para. 5. at pp. 11-15 post are submitted for orders. If they are approved the Director will be asked to suitably fix the rates of grant so that the extra cost can be accommodated within the grant of Rs. 12,500 sanctioned by the Government of India. for the current year.

Id/- 11-1-56

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GRANT TO COSMOPOLITAN HOSTELS.

The principle of encouraging cosmopolitan hostels where B.C. boys can freely mix with non-B.C. boys has now bea recongnised. The question for ~~consideraal~~ consideration is how effectively to encourage such hostels.

2. Under the Bombay Government's Schemes, these hostels receive grant at the usual rates for B.C. boys if the number of inmates in these hostels is at least 20 and the no. of B.C. pupils is at least ~~10 or 20% or~~ 10 or 20% of the total strength whichever is greater.

3. The Goverment of India are also aiding such hostels under the anti-untouchability drive. Last year grant was paid to these hostels on the basis of percentage of the no. of inmates belonging to the S.C. s in non-Backward hostels and non-Backward pupils in B.C. hostels as shown below.

Percentage of pupils in the hostel.	Amount of grant p,.a. for each inmate. Rs.
1 to 10	120
11 to 20	150
21 to 30	170
31 to 40	180
41 and above.	200

There were several defects under this formula, viz

(a) Cosmopolitan hostels received double grant for S-C. inmates from Bombay Govt. and Central Govt.

(b) Several B.C. hostels- particularly hostels in Adivasi areas-had no S.C. inmates. If non-Backward pupils were admitted to these hostels; there was no removal of untouchability;

(c) There was no minimum and maximum limit fix for the no of S.C. and non.- Backward pupils to be admitted to these hostels.

This formula was, therefore, rejected by the Govt. of.....

of India and they have suggested its modification as under:-

1) If a non- B.C. hostels admits S.C. pupils it should be given full charge of the boarding of such pupils.

2) If a B.C. hostel admits non- B.C. pupils grant per capita should be given according to the financial position.

3) The D.S.Bs. should be ruled out of this scheme as they can manage this scheme from their own sources.

4) Non official bodies should be encouraged to adopt this scheme particularly the Non-B.C. hostels as it will help in the eradication on untouchability.

4. This question was discussed in the B.C. Board meeting held on the 27th September 1955. In the light of these discussions as well as in view of the suggestions made by Shri Majumdar, the Director of Backward Class Welfare has suggested the following scheme.

i) Encouragement grant to non- B.C. hostels for admitting S.C. pupils: He has suggested an additional grant of Rs. 7/- p.m. over and above the grant admissible under the Bombay Government Scheme. The hostels will accordingly be received roughly an average grant of Rs. 21/- p.m. for S.C. pupils. The expenditure on this account would be Rs. 33,600/-

ii) Encouragement grant to B.C. hostels with a substantial no. of S.C.s for admitting non- B.C. pupils. The Director has suggested that a per capita grant of Rs. 16/-p.m. should be given for each non-B.C. pupil. About 400 non-B.C. pupils will be eligible for grants and the expenditure on this account would be roughly Rs. 76,800/-.

iii Encouragement grant to non-official bodies particularly the non-B.C. hostels for admitting S.C. pupils.

The balance of the Government of India grant of Rs. 2,100/- according to the Director's proposal is to be spent on encouragement grant to such bodies.

5. The points for consideration are as under:-

i) Whether in principal the D.B.C.W.'s proposals are in order. Apparently more funds should be utilised on the admission of S.C. pupils in non-B.C. hostels than vide versa. The Director's proposals will benefit non-B.C. pupils more than the S.C. pupils.

ii) Whether the encouragement grant of Rs. 7/-p.m. for S.C. pupils in non-B.C. hostels will be adequate. Apparently the leval of expenditure in non-B.C. hostels is much more than B.C. hostels. It is a moot point whether the grant at Rs. 21/- p.m. would cover all expenses of the hostel managements. It would be more appropriate to divide the pupils in three sections viz. a) Primary, b) Secondary and c) Collegiate and to give graded assistance say roughly at Rs. 5/-, Rs. 10/- and Rs. 15/- respectively.

iii) Whether the per capital grant of Rs. 16/- p.m. for non-B.C. pupils admitted to B.C. hostels would be excessive.

Our average rate of grant B.C. pupils is according to the Dir. Rs. 14/- p.m. If Rs/- p.m. are to be given for non-B.C. pupils there would be loud protest besides the financial position of the non-B.C. pupils being better than the B.C. pupils. They could be expected to bear some portion of the expenditure of the hostel management. With the higher rate of grant per non-B.C. pupil. There would also be a tendency on the -.....

on the managements part to give prefevence to non-
B.C. pupils over B.C pupils. It may, therefore, be better to prescribed.
a lower rate of grant say Rs. 10/-.

iV) Whether a condition about the minimum number of B.C. to non- B.C. pupils should be imposed. The Dir.'s proposals presupposes that the hostels to be aided under this scheme would satify the Bombay Govt.s criterian viz. that there should be at least 20 inmates and that the no. of B.C. inmates will be least 10 or 20% of the total no. of inmates whichever is greater. For certain communal hostels of non-B.C.s, it may be difficult to comply with these conditions. As it is, an inducement has to be offered to them to agree in principle to the admission of scheduled students. With the regorous Conditions mentioned above, they may not care to admit S.C. students in their hostels.

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R.H.& B.C.Deptt.

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The question of laying down principles for grant to cosmopolitan hostels for which the Govt. of India have sanctioned a grant of Rs.1,12,500 during the current year was discussed by M(B.C.D.) with Dy.M(B.C.D) and Jt. Secy. yesterday. The lines suggested in para. 5 of my note at pages 13-15n/s were generally approved subject to the following modification:-

(1) To be eligible for grant under the scheme a hostel must have at least 20 inmates and the No of S.C. boys should be at least 5.

(2) Such hostel should, if possible conform to the Bombay Govt's criteria for recognition as cosmopolitan hostel.

The accompanying draft G.R. which is self-explanatory containes all these provisions. It is for approval.

2. The financial implications of the proposal will be as under:-

(a.) Grant to non-Backward hostels for admitting S.C.pupils:- According to the D.B.C.W., roughly 400 S.C. pupils will be eligible for such grant. The rates are Rs.5 in pry.school, Rs.10 in Secondary School, Rs.15 in colleges. The average rate may be assumed to be Rs.10 p.m. per student. The extra cost would therefore be Rs.10 x 12 x 400 i.e. Rs.48,000.

(b) Grant to Backward hostels for admitting Non-Backward pupils:- According to the Dir. B.C.W. about 400 pupils will be eligible for this grant. The cost would be Rs.48,000(10x12x 400).

(c) Encouragement grant to the voluntary Agencies:- The balance of Rs.16,500 (Rs.1,12,500- Rs.96,000) will be distributed by way of encouragement grant. The Jalgaon training college for which the Commr. has suggested a grant of Rs.5,000 will be eligible for assistance under this item.

It is not unlikely that the number of students eligible for assistance may be more or lesser than the figure given by the D.B.C.W. The D.B.C.W. may in that case be authorised suitably to modify the rates so that the total cost should not exceed the grant of Rs.1,12.500 sanctioned by the Govt. of India.

3. The entire expdr. on this grant is debitable to the Govt. of India. There is no cost to the State coffers.

4. Before issue of the accompanying draft G.R., the D.B.C.W. may see, u.o. and state whether any administrative difficulties will be experienced in implementing these orders. He may also offer other remarks, if any. He may be requested to treat this case as immediate.

Id/-19-1-56.

Id/-19-1. Jt.Secy.

U.O.R. to D.B.C.W.B.S.,Poona

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non-Backward Classes in Backward Class hostels predominantly catering for Scheduled Castes during the last year, it was found that the number would come to about 400 and above.

3. I fully endorse the Government view expressed in para.2(c) of the A.S.(J)'s note dated 19-1-56 and request Government to authorise the Director of Backward Class Welfare to suitably modify the rates in both the above categories so that the total cost should not exceed Rs.1,12,500/- by either increasing or decreasing the rates that may be prescribed.

4. I further request that the entire grant may be placed at the disposal of the Director of Backward Class Welfare just like our normal Hostel grants so that no authority from the Accountant General will be required for the payment. Specific mention of this may please be made in the G.R. Otherwise it may not be possible to disburse payment before the current financial year.

5. The following will be the administrative difficulties in applying the orders proposed in the draft G.R. at pages 23-26/c or the amended one.

(a) Re.para.4(b)(i)

No hard and fast rules can be laid down while distinghishing the bright non-Backward Class pupils with whom the Scheduled Caste pupils are expected to mix for the purpose of removal of untouchability. It may be considered sufficient for the purpose of payment of encouragement grant that he belongs to a non-Backward Class community and that his parent's income would be less than Rs.1,800/- per annum and his general progress and conduct is satisfactory.

(b) Re.para.4(d)

Since Govt. insists to utilise the amount of Rs.1,12,500/- in full, it will be necessary to

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authorise the Director of Backward Class Welfare to increase the rate of encouragement grant from Rs.10/- to Rs.16/- p.m. per head for non-Backward Class students in Backward Class Hostels predominantly catering for Scheduled Castes only in case there is saving after making payment of encouragement grant to Scheduled Caste pupils in non-Backward Class Hostels. (It may be herein pointed out that Govt. have specifically mentioned therein to allow the Director to suitably reduce the rates thereby meaning not to increase the rate Hence it is requested that the Director of Backward Class Welfare may also be allowed to either increase in certain specific circumstances if necessary.

Sd/-
D.B.C.W.

u.o.r. to Govt, in R.H.& B.C.D. Bombay,
No.AM/IX/293, dated the 28th January 1956.

Rehbailitation Housing and
Backward Classes Department.
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Submitted with reference to office note dt. 19-1-56.

2. Please see the foregoing note of the D.B.C.W. He has agreed with the draft G.R. but has suggested the following general modification.

i) He should be authorised to increase or reduce the rates of grant for students

ii) The entire grant of Rs.1,12,500 should be placed at the disposal of the D.B.C.W. and he should be authorised to sanction the grants to the hostels subject to the limit of the total grant

3. The D.B.C.W. agrees with the rates specified in the draft G.R. but as he apprehends that there may be some saving, he has proposed order as at (i) above. His proposal may be accepted.

4. The proposal at (ii) above is reasonable and may be accepted. Under Sr.No.59 of F.D.I the D.B.C.W. has already been delegated with power to sanction grants to B.C.Hostle upto the limit of the budget provision, under the B.C. Hostle Rules. The proposal amounts to delegating similar power in respect of grants to the cosmopolitan Hostel.

5. The suggestion at 'A' of the D.B.C.Ws note may also be accepted.

If the above proposals are accepted the draft G.R. may be modified are shown in pencil. It may issue of the u.o.r. to the F.D.

Id/-1-2-56.

A.S.

I do not agree with 'A' of the Director's note at page 20/N. We may lay down a condition that no non-B. C pupil should be admitted to B.C.Hostels whose parent's income exceeds Rs.1800/- per annum. But amoung such pupils selection may be made purely on the basis of merit, i.e. on the basis of results at the last annual examination. The B.C 'candidates will benefit immensely if they come in contact with bright non-B.C. puils. This suggestion was made and unanimously supported in the B.C.W.O.'s meeting held by me on 9th Jan.1956.

2. The Draft G.R. with pencil modifications at ps.23-25/c may issue. The entire expdr. on a/c of the grant is met from Central grant for removal of untouchability.

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Dy.M(BCD) Id/-15-2
M(BCD) Id/-16-2
C-M. Id/ 16-2

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The draft G.R. at pps.23-26/c as corrected, may now issue. Advance copies thereof may be immediately sent to the concerned officers.

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Jt.Secy. Id/-18-2

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Resubmitted with reference to the Asstt. Secy's note, dt.13-3-1956. at p.31/c.

2. The relevant pps have been tagged on the G.R. on which the press note at p.33-35/c is issued will be found at p.27-29/c.

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GUJARAT HARIJAN SEVAK SANGH.

Tel.No.4153.
No.1942.

Hairjan Ashram.
Ahemedabad, 13.
Dt.8th July 1955.

Dear shri Tapaseji,

Yesterday I contacted students and members of the managing committee of the Patidar Ashram, Baroda and they have agreed to admit Scheduled caste boys in the hostel on equal terms. This year we have been able to secure such admissions in some other hostels too where B.C. boys till not would not go. The Government have in mind as a scheme, whereby the managements of such hostels, or B.C boys may be helped financially so that they can stand the additional expences.

I request that the scheme in this connection may be announced and put into action as soon as possible in order to enable the managements to take correct steps in time.

Secretary
Please note.
Id/-21-7

Mr.Dhage
please speak.
Id/-

Yours truly,

Sd/-
(P.L.Majmudar)
Vice-President,
Gujarat Harijan Sevak Sangh.

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Please take over and submit quickely.

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D.O.No.SDB/1055/32781-E.
R.H.& B.C.D.,
Bombay 1, 11th October 1955.

My Dear Majumdar,

Will you please refer to your letter No.1942 dated the 8th July 1955 addressed to the Minister for the Backward Classes in regard to the payment of grant to the Patidar Ashrma, Baroda, for admitting Scheduled Caste pupils? The question regarding encouragement to cosmopolitan hostels for admitting Scheduled Caste pupils was, as you are aware, discussed at the last meeting of the B.C. Board. The Board was of opinion that cosmopolitan hostels including sectional hostels should be induced to admit Scheduled caste pupils and should for this purpose be paid a grant equal to the cost incurred by them on the maintenance of the Scheduled Caste pupils. There was some discussion as to whether the entire maintenance charge should be paid or whether some ceiling should be applied to the grant. The Board also was of opinion that in the existing B.C.hostels-particularly the hostels with preponderance of Scheduled Caste pupils-non-backward pupils from indigenous sections of the population should be admitted and for this purpose the management of then hostels may be given grant at the ordinary capitation rates. The question is admittedly intricate and will have to be considered carefully. It is, therefore, proposed to hold a conference to consider this important question in all its aspects. I would be grateful if you could send concrete proposals to serve as talking points in the conference.

Yours Sincerely,
Sd
Y.D. Jayed
A.S.to Govt. RH&BCD.

sgp/-23-8

Draft.

D.O.No.SDB/1055/
R.H.& B.D.D.
Sachivalaya,
Bombay, 1, 11th October 1955.

Dear Shir Kamble,

Will you pleas e refer to Col. 6 against S.No.3(iv) in the accompt to G.R., R.H.& B.C.D., No.SDB-1055 dated 2-8-55, wherein you have been requested to recast the scheme for encouragement grant to cosmopolitan hostels and submit a revised scheme for the approval of Government. This question, as you know, was discussed in the last meeting of the Backward Class Board in which the Board came to certain conculsuions. An early decision will have to be taken on the question. It is proposed to hold a conference to consider the question in all its aspect. I shall be grateful if you could kindly submit your revised scheme at a very early d ate.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- 7/10
(Y.D.Jayeel).

Shri D.B.Kamble, I.A.S.
Director, Backward Class Welfare,
Bombay State,
Poona.

D.O.No.SDB 1055/50708-E
R.H.& B.C.D
Sachivalaya, Bombay.
2nd Nov. 1955.

Dear Shri Kamble,

Please refer to my d.o. letter No.SDB/1055/ of 11th October.1955 regarding scheme for encouragement grant to cosmopolitan hostels. Will you please look into the matter personally and submit your revised scheme at an early date? I am to endorse a copy of letter dt. 18-10-1955 from Shri

P.L.Majumudar which contains talking points to be discussed in the proposed conference. I shall be grateful if you could kindly offer your remarks on the points, raised by Shri Majumidar in his letter.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-
(Y.D.JAEEL)

Shri D.B.Kamble,I.A.S.,
D.B.C.W.,
B.S.,
Poona.

GUJRAT HARIJAN SEVAK SANGH.

D.O.No. of 1955

dt.18-Oct. 1955.

Dear Shri Jaeel,

With reference to your letter No.SDB.1055/32781/E, dated 11th Oct. 1955, regarding points for discussion regarding admission of Backward Class boys on common hostels etc., I write below the points:-

1. Harijan boys studying in recognised institutions and boarding and lodging in cosmopolitan or communal hostels should be given grants equal to minimum of ¾ of the average monthly food bill in the hostels. This grant should be calculated on an average attendance of Harijan boys in the hostels. No restriction about number of such harijan boys and audit etc. should be imposed upon them. The department may satisfy itself about the general good management of the hostel.

Caste Hinddo boys studying in recognised institutions and boarding and lodging in hostels recognised as Backward Class hostels, should be given capital grant as per rules The number of such caste Hindoo boys in each hostel should be restricted to maximum of five at present.

Yours sincerely,

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Sd/-
(P.L.Majumdar.)

No.AH/IX/293
Poona, 28th November 1955.

To

The Joint Secretary to Government,
Rehabilitation, Housing and
Backward Classes Department,
Sachivalya, Foreshore Road,
BOMBAY.

Subject:- Removal of untouchability
Schemes for the -Implementation of--
during 1955-56.

Reference Government Resolution, Rehabilitation, Housing and Backward Classes Department, No.SDB-1055, dated the 2nd August 1955, on the subject mentioned above and Government D.O.Letter.Rehabilitation, Housing & Backward Classes Department, No.SDB-1055/E, dated the 11th October 1955.

2. In view of the instructions contained in column 6 against serial No.3(iv) in the accompaniment to Government Resolution referred to above, the scheme regarding "Encouragement grant to cosmopolitan hostels" is recast and the proposed revised scheme is as under:-

Encouragement grant under this scheme may first be paid to the recognised Backward Class Hostels which are run on cosmopolitan basis. But the percentage fixed for Backward Class students in cosmopolitan hostels, i.e. 10 out of 20 or 20% of the total number of inmates which ever is greater (Vide Government Resolution, Education Department, No.BCH, 1053, dated 10-7-1954) may not be insisted upon while paying this grant. It may be necessary to use discretion in deserving cases.

During the year 1954-55 an encouragement grant was paid on account of 239 Scheduled Caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels and 352 Non-Backward Class pupils in Backward Class Hostels on percentage basis. The exact No. of pupils that would be eligible for this grant during the current year cannot be ascertained at this stage as Hostels inspections are still in progress. However, it is

and attractive rate as per opinion of members of Backward Class Board expressed in the last Backward Class Board meeting held in the month of September 1955 in Poona. Boarding charges, wherin may vary in different cases but as the management has to bear expenditure on other items, and also on the pupils who become ineligible for grant under Backward Class Hostel Rules, an adhoc rate of boarding charges may be kept at, say Rs.14/- p.m per pupil (i.e. average rate of grant under Backward Class Hostel Rules) plus Rs.7/- p,m. per pupil (i.e. equal to 50% of the rate of grant under Backward Class Hostel Rules) for the sake of unifromity and clear calculation. Usually this rate of encouragement grant cannot be less than the capitation grant under the Backward Class Hostel Rules and that is why an uniform rate if proposed. Otherwise, if the boarding charges actually incurred are paid which vary from hostel to hostel and from time to time the managements would not feel satisfied over that and it would be very difficult to convince them. Hence this special procedure and ad hoc uniform basis is proposed.

II) Encouragement grant to Backward Class Hostels(having Sehcuedled Castes) for admitting Non-Backward Class pupils.

As per the suggestion made by Government, if a Backward Class Hostel admits Non-Backward Class pupils, grant per capita should be paid according to the financial position. The financial position after paying encouragement grant to Scheduled Caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels as proposed in (I) above will be as under:-

Rs.1,12,500/- Total provision sanctioned by the Government of India for encouragement grants to cosmopolitan hostels.

Rs. 33,600/- Estimated expenditure towards encouragement grant for Scheduled Caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels as worked out in (I) above.

Rs. 78,900/-

Thus, the amount that would approximately be available for payment of encouragement grant for Non-Backward Class pupils in Backward Class Hostels(having Scheduled Castes) would be Rs.~~78,900~~ 78,900.

78,9000/-

It is--

estimated that for about 400 scheduled caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels and 400 Non-Backward Class pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels, this encouragement grant will have to be given to the Hostel managements during the current year. The basis for payment of encouragement grant may be as under:-

I) Encouragement grant to Non-Backward Class Hostels for admitting Scheduled Caste pupils.

According to the suggestion made by Government, if a Non-Backward Class Hostel admits Scheduled Caste pupils, it is to be given full charge of the boarding on such pupils. Such hostels already receive grant from this Dept. on account of Scheduled Caste pupils along with Backward Class pupils under the usual rates of grant-in-aid admissible under the Backward Class Hostel Rules. The average rate of such grant comes to Rs.14/-p.m. per pupil (inclusive of 25% increase over the existing rates of grant-in-aid). It is, therefore suggested that the encouragement grant may be paid for Scheduled Caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels in the form of an increase by 50% over and above the grant payable under the Backward Class Hostel Rules. It is expected that 400 Scheduled Caste pupils in Non-Backward Class Hostels may be eligible for encouragement grant during the current year on the basis of the attendance of the previous year. Hence, 50% increase over and above the usual average rate of grant(i.e.Rs.14/-) would be Rs.7/-p.m. per pupil and the total estimated expenditure on this account would be Rs.33,600/-(i.e. 400 pupils x Rs.7/- x 12 months).

This rate of encouragement grant of Rs.7/- p.m. (i.e. equal to 50% of the usual grant-in-aid under Backward Class Hostel Rules) per Scheduled Caste pupil in Non-Backward Class Hostel in addition to the usual grant of Rs.14/-p.m. per head would mean total grant of Rs.21/-p.m. per head. This rate of Rs.21/-p.m. per head will include full charge on boarding of Scheduled Caste pupils and will be a suitable

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It is expected that 400 Non-Backward Class pupils in Backward Class Hostels (having Scheduled Castes) would be eligible for engouragement grant during the current year on the basis of the attendance of the previous year. So, the capita rate that may be fixed for Non-Backward Class pupils in the said hostels would be Rs.16/-p.m. per head. The totla estimated expenditure on this account would be Rs.76,800/- (i.e. 400 pupils x Rs.16 x12 months.)

III) Encouragement grant to Non-official bodies particularly the Non-backward Class Hostels for admitting Scheduled Caste pupils.

The total estimated expenditure on account of encouragement grant to cosmopolitan hostels of the two categories, as (I) & (II) above may be Rs,1,10.400/-(i.e. Rs.33,600/- +Rs.76,800) during 1955-56. The balance out of the total provision of Rs.1,12,500/- for 1955-56 is expected to be Rs.2,100/-(i.e. Rs.1.12,500/- - Rs.1,10,400/-). This balance of Rs.2,100/- and the saving, if any, that may be available from the provision proposed for the hostels at category (I) and (II) above, is proposed to be utilised for the hostels at category (III) above, as under:-

There are some unrecognised cosmopolitan hostels seeking recognixtion from this Department for the purposes of grant-in-aid. It may not be possible to regularly recognise all of them during the current year in view of the limited provision for the purpose of grant to the new hostels to be recognised during 1955-56. But as they (i.e. cosmopolitan hostels. ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ particularly the Non-Backward Class Hostels- admitting Scheduled Castes pupils), are admitting S.C's, it would be in the fitness of things, to recognise them if they are eligible from all points of views, for the purpose of payment of encouragement grant for admitting Scheduled Castes on the basis proposed for the hostels at category(I) above. It may not necessarily mean that, they are recognised for the payment of usual grant under the Backward Class Hostel Rules. Such hostels may be helped under this scheme as they are seeking recognision and are eligible.

Sd. 28/11 sgp/-

Director of Backward Class Welfare, State of Bombay Poona,

D.O.No.AM/IX/293.
Office of the
Director of Backward Class Welfare,
Bombay State,
Poona, 22nd December, 1955.

Dear Shri Jaeel,

Sub:- Encouragement grant to cosmopolitan Hostels.

Reference your D.O.No.SDB 1055/50708-E, dated nil November 1955 (received in this Office on 4-11-1955).

2. I have already submitted my revised scheme in my proposals submitted to Government in the Rehabilitation, Housing and Backward Classes Department, under my even number dated 28th November 1955. (copy enclosed for ready reference). The revised schemes has dealt with all the points raised by Shri P.L.Majumdar.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-
(D.B.Kamble).

To
Shri Y.D.Jaeel,
Asstt.Secretary to Government,
Rehabilitation, Housing and
Backward Classes Department,
Sachivalya, Foreshore Road,
BOMBAY.

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Removal of Untouchability
Cosmopolitan hostels - Grants to -
for -

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.
Rehabilitation, Housing and
Backward Classes Department.
Resolution No.SDB.1055-E.
Sachivalaya, Foreshore Road,
Bombay, 18th February 1956.

Read Government Resolution, Education Department No.SDB.1054 dated 7th February 1955.

Read Government letter, Development Department (Backward Classes, Rehabilitation and Housing) No.SDB/1055-J, dated the 21st April 1955.

Read letter from the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, No.4/9/55 Public-II dated the 16th July 1955.

RESOLUTION :- With a view to induce the managements of hostels catering for non-Backward pupils to admit Backward Class pupils in such hostels, Government is giving them grant on account of Backward Class pupils admitted to such hostels. Under the orders issued in Government Resolution, Education Department No.BCH.1053 dated the 10th July 1954 such hostels are recognised as cosmopolitan hostels if the minimum number of inmates therein is 20 and the number of Backward Class inmates is at least 10, or 20% of the total number of inmates whichever is greater. They are paid grant at the usual capitation rates for Backward Class Pupils.

2. With the object of encouraging Scheduled Castes pupils to mix freely with non Scheduled Castes pupils in the hostels, Government is also paying grant to mixed hostels under its anti-untouchability drive. Last year, the Government of India had sanctioned a grant of Rs.1,20,000 for the purpose and it was utilised on paying grant to hostel managements on the basis of percentage of the number of inmates belonging to the Scheduled Castes in the non-Backward Class hostels and non-Backward Class pupils in Backward Class hostels as shown below:-

Percentage of pupils in the hostel.	Amount of grant payable per month for each inmate.
1 to 10	Rs.120/-
11 to 20	Rs.150/-
21 to 30	Rs.170/-
31 to 40	Rs.180/-
41 above	Rs.200/-

3. Several defects were noticed in the percentage basis described in paragraph 2 viz:-

a) Cosmopolitan hostels received a double grant for Scheduled Castes inmates from Bombay Government and Central Government.

b) Several Backward Class hostels - particularly hostels in Adivasi areas - had no Scheduled Castes inmates. If non-Backward pupils were admitted to these hostels, there was no removal of untouchability;

c) There .....2.

c) There was no minimum and maximum limit for the number of Scheduled Castes and non-Backward pupils to be admitted to these hostels.

The Government of India did not therefore approve of this basis during the current year. They suggested that the policy in the matter may be as under :-

1) If a non-Backward Class hostel admits Scheduled Castes pupils it should be given full charge of the boarding of such pupils.

2) If a Backward Class hostel admits non-Backward Class pupils grant per capita should be given according to the financial position.

3) The District School Boards should be ruled out of this scheme as they can manage this scheme from their own sources.

4) Non-official bodies should be encouraged to adopt this scheme particularly the non-Backward Class hostels - as it will help in the eradication of untouchability.

4. The question of revising the basis of grant to mixed hostels under the anti-untouchability drive was under the consideration of Government for some time past Government has considered this question very carefully and is pleased to direct that the grant of Rs.1,12,500 sanctioned by the Government of India under the anti-untouchability drive should be utilised in accordance with the following policy :-

(a) Grants to non-Backward Class hostels for admitting Scheduled Castes pupils :- Non-backward Class hostels (i.e. hostels having a majority of non-backward inmates) should, in addition to the grant if any admissible to them for Backward Class inmates under the Bombay Government's scheme for encouragement to cosmopolitan hostels described in paragraph 1, be given special grant at the following rates for Scheduled Castes inmates admitted to these hostels :-

	Rate of grant
(a) Scheduled Caste inmates attending primary schools.	Rs.5/- per month per pupil.
(b) Scheduled Castes inmates attending Secondary Schools.	Rs.10/- per month per pupil.
(c) Scheduled Castes inmates attending post matriculation courses.	Rs.15/- per month per pupil.

To be eligible for this special grant, such hostels must have at least 20 inmates and the minimum number of Scheduled Castes inmates should be 5. Hard cases may be decided by the Director of Backward Class Welfare on merits.

(b) Grants to Backward Class hostels for admitting non-Backward pupils :- Backward Class hostels having a substantial number of Scheduled Castes inmates (The minimum number of such Scheduled Castes inmates must be 5) should be given grant at the rate of Rs.10/- per month per pupil on account of non-Backward inmates admitted to such hostels subject to the following conditions :-

i) Only those .....3.

(i) Only those non Backward pupils will be admitted to Backward Class hostels whose parents' or guardians' ~~xxxxxx~~ income does not exceed Rs.1800/- per annum. Among such pupils' selection shall be made only on the basis of merit, i.e. on the basis of the result of the last annual Examination

(ii) The total number of such non-backward pupils on whose account grant at the aforesaid rate is admissible should **not** exceed 20% of the total number of Backward Class pupils in the hostel.

c) The balance if any in the Central grant after paying grant under sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) above should be utilised in paying encouragement grant to the Voluntary agencies particularly the non-Backward Class hostels for admitting Scheduled Castes pupils.

d) In case the expenditure involved in payment of grant under sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) exceeds the current Central grant of Rs.1,12,500/- or if large savings in the said grant are anticipated, the Director of Backward Class Welfare should be authorised to suitably reduce or increase, as the case may be, the aforesaid rate of grant with a view to accommodate the expenditure within the Central grant.

5. The entire amount of Rs.1,12,500/- should be placed at the disposal of the Director of Backward Class Welfare and he should be authorised to sanction the grants as specified above subject to the maximum of Rs.1,12,500/-. He should be requested to ensure that the admissible grants are paid immediately and that the entire amount of Rs.1,12,500/- sanctioned by the Government of India is fully utilised during the current year. The expenditure is debitable to the budget head "47-Miscellaneous Departments-H-Miscellaneous-H-4-Director of Backward Class Welfare-H-4(7)-Schemes for eradication of untouchability".

By order and in the name of the Governor of Bombay,

(L.G.RAJWADE.)
Joint Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Rehabilitation, Housing and
Backward Classes Department.

To

The Director of Backward Class Welfare, Poona,
The Accountant General, Bombay, (through the
The Deputy Accountant General, Baroda, (Finance
(Department.
*The Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes,
*The Regional Assistant Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Baroda.

The Finance Department.
The Director of Publicity (for issuing a Press Note).

* By letter.

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